



## Utah System of Higher Education Capital Development Process and Priorities FY 2009

### Process

The State Board of Regents utilizes a highly quantitative system to develop a prioritized list of capital development projects for nine of the ten Utah System of Higher Education institutions. This process is called the Qualification and Prioritization process or the “Q&P.”

The Q&P process examines:

- ***Institutional need:*** How does the proposed project address student enrollment growth and the need for additional space to instruct these students beyond existing resources?
- ***Project scope:*** Does the proposed project sufficiently address the space needs of the institutions to support the student? Is the proposed new space appropriate?
- ***Priority ranking:*** How does the project address Regent priorities for system and campus development?
  - *Renovated space versus new space:* Projects that focus on renovating existing space generally receive a higher priority ranking than a project that proposes new space only.
  - *Addressing life safety concerns:* Projects that demonstrate a focused effort on improving a building with health and safety issues generally receives higher priority ranking than a building that does not.
  - *Private funding:* The more private funding an institution raises to support a project to help offset the need for state tax dollars helps improve the projects overall rank in the Q&P process.

### Capital Improvements (AR&I) Funding

One to the essential funding components in the capital development and improvement process is the appropriation of the Capital Improvement (AR&I) funds. These funds allow the USHE institutions to address building and project maintenance issues on an annual basis.

For the 2008 Legislative Session, the Board of Regents recommends the following priorities:

Regent Rank	Institution/Project	State Funds Requested
*	Snow College – Bond Payoff	\$1,746,017
1	UU Business Building	\$28,500,000
1	USU Agriculture/Classroom Replacement	\$43,111,000
3	SLCC Digital Design & Communications Center/ South City Campus Student Life Center	\$40,509,000
4	SUU Science Building Addition	\$17,000,000
4	UVSC Science/Health Sciences Bldg. Addition	\$52,486,000
6	CEU Fine Arts Complex	\$20,129,000
6	WSU Classroom Building	\$34,191,000
8	UU Pharmacy Building	\$39,600,000
9	DSC Centennial Commons	\$68,215,000

The Board of Regents also supports the following projects to be funded without any state tax funds which require legislative authorization:

Non-state Funded Projects	Total Cost	State Funded O&M
UU-University Neuropsychiatric Institute (UNI) Expansion	\$45,862,000	\$0
UU -State Arboretum Visitors Center Renovation and Addition	\$1,400,000	\$6,800
UU - Northwest Campus Parking Structure	\$21,280,000	\$0
UU - Huntsman Cancer Hospital Phase II-B	\$110,413,000	\$0
USU - Vernal Entrepreneurship and Energy Research Center	\$19,000,000	\$522,400
USU - Business Building Addition	\$18,038,000	\$532,500
USU - Early Childhood Education and Research Center	\$15,828,000	\$498,475
USU - Hydraulics Laboratory Addition to the Water Lab	\$1,595,000	\$0
USU - Structures Lab Enclosure	\$350,000	\$0
UVSC – Ray Noorda Children’s Theater Addition	Est. \$1,575,000	\$45,600

This year the Regents were also asked to consider two special capital development requests: the University of Utah Natural History Museum and a Snow College request to buyout Sevier School District’s interest in the Sevier Valley Center in Richfield.

### FY 2008-09 USHE Special Capital Development Projects

Project	State Funds
UU- Museum of Natural History	\$30,000,000
Snow College Richfield - School District Buyout	\$5,186,291